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## HIGHLIGHTS

### CONGRATULATIONS TO LARA DALIDOWITZ

The National Association of Chronic Disease Directors (NACDD) National Mentoring Program has announced the nine successful applicants accepted into the 2016 Mentee Cohort and it includes Ms. Lara Dalidowitz, MPH, a biostatistician with the Chronic Disease Epidemiology program at St. Louis County Department of Public Health. Lara will be working with a mentor to develop techniques for best utilizing crime and violence data in public health datasets and analysis. The lessons learned may be of interest to others in public health in Missouri. Congratulations, Lara!

### NATIONAL LATINO ACQUIRED IMMUNE DISEASE SYNDROME (AIDS) AWARENESS DAY 2015

October 15 is National Latino AIDS Awareness Day, a day to raise awareness of Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV) and AIDS prevention among Hispanics/Latinos. Hispanics/Latinos account for 21 percent of new HIV infections, while accounting for only 16 percent of the U.S. population. This year's theme, *To End AIDS, Commit to Act/Para Acabar con SIDA, Comprometete a Actuar*, invites everyone to make a commitment to know the facts about HIV, get tested for HIV, and get into and stay in medical care if they have HIV. You can 'commit to act' by printing campaign posters or fact sheets at <http://www.cdc.gov/Features/LatinoAIDSAwareness/>. To view HIV information in Spanish you can go to <https://www.aids.gov/federal-resources/espanol/>. The Centers for Disease Control and Prevention and the Bureau of HIV, STD, and Hepatitis encourage the use of routine, opt-out HIV screening in all healthcare settings. For more information, please contact the Bureau at 573-751-6439.

### HEALTH IN RURAL MISSOURI

The Office of Primary Care and Rural Health would like to announce the addition of a series of rural health briefs focused on highlighting health disparity issues in rural Missouri. The subjects currently uploaded are: Childhood Obesity in Rural Missouri; Elderly and Aging in Rural Missouri; and Women's Health in Rural Missouri. Additional topics will be added on a monthly basis. The completed briefs can be located on the Department of Health and Senior Services (DHSS) Rural Health web page under publications or by accessing this link <http://health.mo.gov/living/families/ruralhealth/publications.php>. Enjoy!

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- [CDC's Weekly Scientific Digest](#)
- [CDC Environmental Health Training Resources](#)
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- [Missouri Health Information Technology \(MO HIT\) Assistance Center](#)
- [Ozark Public Health Institute](#)

## GREAT CENTRAL U.S. SHAKE OUT

The State Emergency Operations Center/Emergency Response Center (SEOC/ERC) Teams will be drilling for the Great Central U.S. Shake Out on October 15, so be ready for a call. For more information, [click here](#).

## FUNDING OPPORTUNITY FROM THE NATIONAL ASSOCIATION OF COUNTY AND CITY HEALTH OFFICIALS (NACCHO)

NACCHO has again received funding from the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) to support local health departments (LHDs) to engage and collaborate with healthcare providers and other key community stakeholders in immunization, adolescent health, and cancer control to increase Human Papilloma Virus (HPV) vaccination rates in their communities. To advance this goal, NACCHO released a Request for Applications (RFA) to identify a second cohort of LHDs to participate in a NACCHO-led action planning process to identify steps to increase local HPV vaccination rates. To review the RFA, [click here](#). Applications are due **October 29 by 5:00 p.m. EDT**. If you have any questions, contact Kate Heyer at 202-507-4251.

## PHOTOS NEEDED FOR FLICKR ALBUM FOR THE OFFICE OF VETERINARY PUBLIC HEALTH (OVPH)

OVPH is requesting photos that could be added to OVPH's new Flickr Album. Send us your public health success photos that are related to zoonotic disease activities such as preventing tick-and mosquito-borne illnesses, rabies control, and other veterinary public health issues. Examples of photos include locations of your [Prevent Tick Bite trail signs](#), educational exhibits, and other visual representations of success stories that you wish to share. It is best if photos are medium to close-up shots. We will share the Flickr Album in future Twitter, Facebook, and Friday Facts announcements as an example of our shared work at preventing these diseases. For more information, contact [Alyce.Turner@health.mo.gov](mailto:Alyce.Turner@health.mo.gov).

## WIC UPDATES

The WIC Updates have been posted to the WIC web page. You can view the updates at <http://health.mo.gov/living/families/wic/wicupdates/index.php>. This week's updates include:

- WIC Operations Manual (WOM) Policies Update
- Updated Participant's Rights and Responsibilities (WIC 10) – Effective November 1, 2015
- Nutrition Assessment for Women (WIC 36) – Corrected Question #6
- Continuing Education Unit (CEU) Corner
- **JOB OPENING:** Nutritionist – Crescent Clinic WIC (Jackson County, MO)

## ENVIRONMENTAL PUBLIC HEALTH TRACKING

How can the Missouri Environmental Public Health Tracking (EPHT) portal be more useful to you? What data/health issues do you want to see? Let us know at: [http://ephtn.dhss.mo.gov/EPHTN\\_Data\\_Portal/feedback.php](http://ephtn.dhss.mo.gov/EPHTN_Data_Portal/feedback.php).

Interested in a quick visual overview of your county that includes demographics, asthma, air quality, and health insurance? Visit CDC's National Environmental Public Health Tracking Network's **Info by Location** feature at <http://ephtracking.cdc.gov/InfoByLocation/>.

Have a need or interest in viewing how Missouri compares to other states? Check out the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC's) National Environmental Public Health Tracking Network's (EPHTN) query application today. The National EPHTN has searchable, downloadable data on various environmental hazards, exposures, and chronic health conditions. Visit <http://ephtracking.cdc.gov/QueryPanel/EPHTNQuery/EPHTQuery.html?c=-1&i=-1&m=-1#>.

## DHSS CORNER

### DHSS JOB OPPORTUNITIES/NEWS:

#### REGISTERED NURSE/PUBLIC HEALTH NURSE – Independence

The Bureau of Special Health Care Needs has an opening for a Registered Nurse/Public Health Nurse Service Coordinator. This position is located in Independence. For more information regarding hours and job duties, click [here](#). To apply, please complete and return a Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services application for employment, a cover letter, an up-to-date resume, and copies of transcripts. Application materials should be submitted to [shsapplications@health.mo.gov](mailto:shsapplications@health.mo.gov) or mailed to the Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services, Bureau of Special Health Care Needs, Attn: Roselyn Wood, 920 Wildwood Drive, P.O. Box 570, Jefferson City, MO 65102-0570 no later than October 21.

## MEETINGS, CONFERENCES, AND TRAININGS

### ELECTRONIC HEALTH RECORDS (EHR) AND PUBLIC HEALTH PRACTICE

Many LPHAs have indicated that you would like additional information regarding EHR. *EHR for Public Health Practice* will be held in Columbia on Tuesday, October 27, and is sponsored by the Missouri Department of Health and Senior Services, the University of Missouri, Department of Health Management and Informatics, the Missouri Health Information Technology Assistance Center, and Primaris. Click [here](#) for the training flyer. The session is FREE and some support for travel may be provided. Please RSVP to Lisa Hays at [LHAYS@PRIMARIS.ORG](mailto:LHAYS@PRIMARIS.ORG) or call 573-424-6067 to indicate the names of individuals who will be attending. Many thanks for considering your participation in this increasingly important element in public health practice.

### FOOD SAFETY TRAINING

The Bureau of Environmental Health Services will be presenting training on the application and pre-opening inspection process required by Chapter 8 of the Missouri Food Code. This training will be a combination of presentations and group activities that will introduce participants to the forms and procedures that should be used to approve the opening of a new food establishment. The training begins at 9:00 a.m. and ends around 3:00 p.m. in each location. Participants will need to pre-register by e-mailing JD Kelley at: [jd.kelley@health.mo.gov](mailto:jd.kelley@health.mo.gov). The dates and locations are scheduled as follows:

- October 15, 2015 – 930 Wildwood Drive, Jefferson City
- November 17, 2015 – 101 Mockingbird Lane, Warrenton
- December 8, 2015 – 3717 S. Whitney Ave., Independence

The Agenda includes:

- Introductions
- Food Code Requirements
- Menu Review & Exercise
- Floor Plan Review & Exercise
- Lunch (on your own)
- Pre-Opening Inspection & Exercise
- Adjourn

## **BUILD YOUR BOARD – ON-LINE TRAINING FOR NON-PROFIT BOARD MEMBERS**

*Build your Board* is a training program designed specifically for board members of non-profit organizations. *Build your Board* is created by the University of Missouri Extension community development specialists with over 50 years combined experience in the field. The information presented is reliable and resourceful. For more information, please see the [attached](#) document.

## **PERINATAL HEPATITIS B (PHB) CASE MANAGEMENT WORKSHOP**

The Bureau of HIV, STD, and Hepatitis is offering educational workshops on PHB Case Management during the fall of 2015. Classes will be held from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. in several locations throughout the state. The workshop includes an overview of PHB case management, Hepatitis B lab interpretation, and instruction on WebSurv entry for PHB. These workshops will educate local public health agency staff on the importance of screening all women for Hepatitis B Virus (HBV) during pregnancy; educating women and their families on the importance of infants completing the Hep B vaccination series; and post-vaccination serology testing. Please click [here](#) to register.

## **2015 SUMMER FOOD SERVICE PROGRAM (SFSP) ROUNDTABLE MEETINGS**

DHSS Bureau of Community Food and Nutrition Assistance is conducting roundtable meetings for SFSP sponsors and community partners. Please RSVP by September 30 to Leslie Rumans at [Leslie.Rumans@health.mo.gov](mailto:Leslie.Rumans@health.mo.gov). For more information, please see the attached [flyer](#).

## **2015 HEALTH LITERACY SUMMIT – OCTOBER 16**

The 2015 Health Literacy Summit will take place on October 16 in St. Louis! This year's summit is centered around community health, mental health, and patient experience, featuring keynote presentations and panel sessions on health insurance literacy, community health workers, technology in health care, and informed consent. Local public health department (LPHD) staff will find value in these presentations about health and health literacy, complementing what you already know from working in the field. Information is available at: [www.healthliteracymissouri.org/summit](http://www.healthliteracymissouri.org/summit). On October 15, we will be holding pre-conference skill-building workshops on health literate design (without the fancy software), plain language, universal precautions, and cultural competency – any of which would build additional skills to enhance patient-centered care, improve health, and increase health literate practices in your organization and those you oversee.

## **FREE WEBINAR: SIMPLIFYING COMMUNITY USE OF SCHOOL PROPERTY IN MISSOURI – October 22**

School personnel and community leaders are invited to join this free webinar. Staff from the Public Health Law Center and Missouri School Board Association will introduce tools and discuss best practices for simplifying and improving community access of school facilities, including demystifying liability and insurance. This free webinar is made possible by funding from the Missouri Convergence Partnership. [Register on-line](#) today. For more information, please contact Natasha Frost at [natasha.frost@wmitchell.edu](mailto:natasha.frost@wmitchell.edu).

## **THE IMPACT OF SUDDEN INFANT DEATH SYNDROME (SIDS) ON VULNERABLE COMMUNITITES – October 30**

In Observance of SIDS awareness month, there is an opportunity to bring the community together to address "Infant survival which continues to be among the most significant and challenging public health issue of our time" hosted by the Missouri Bootheel Healthy Start. Please join us on Friday, October 30, from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the Clinton building, 501 Campanella Street, Sikeston, MO 63801. Lunch will be provided. Please RSVP by October 27. For more information, please see the attached [flyer](#).

## **NAVIGATING THE COMPLEXITY OF MENTAL HEALTH NEEDS IN SOCIETY – October 30-31**

The Centers for Health Policy and Health Ethics at the University of Missouri are hosting the *Navigating the Complexity of Mental Health Needs in Society: The Intersection of Ethics, Policy, and Practice* conference on October 30-31 in Columbia. The meeting will focus on navigating ethical challenges when working to improve access and delivery of mental and behavioral health services. Conference participants will discuss issues at the intersection of mental health clinical practice, law, and ethics as, well as review policy reform and advocacy actions aimed at improving treatment of people with mental and behavioral health challenges. The registration cost is \$100 before October 1 and \$125 after. For more information about this conference and to register, click [here](#).

### **PREPARED FOR PERIL: READINESS AND RECOVERY FOR PUBLIC HEALTH THREATS – November 19**

This year's conference will focus on public health threats of all kinds, from climate change and infectious disease outbreaks to natural disasters and civil unrest. We will look at preparing for threats, learning from past threats, protecting vulnerable populations from threats, and more. The conference is free and is open to the public, and will include a keynote address, panel discussion, poster session, and networking opportunities. Please join us on November 19 from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the Washington University Medical Campus at the Eric P. Newman Education Center in St. Louis. Preregistration is required. For more information, please visit [www.publichealth.wustl.edu](http://www.publichealth.wustl.edu) or see the attached [flyer](#).

### **TUBERCULOSIS CONTROL - WEBSURV TRAINING – November 19**

DHSS Tuberculosis Control is conducting a one-day Websurv training in Jefferson City. The Websurv training will be a hands-on, interactive, instructional training on how to input information and correctly use Websurv. The training is intended for LPHA nurses and employees. Limited seats are available. Please contact Rachel Allen at 573-526-5832 or [Rachel.Allen@health.mo.gov](mailto:Rachel.Allen@health.mo.gov) for registration and questions.

### **2015 MISSOURI COORDINATED SCHOOL HEALTH CONFERENCE – December 3-5**

The 2015 Missouri Coordinated School Health Conference is December 3-5 at the Lodge of the Four Seasons in Lake Ozark. This year's conference focuses on the "*Power of Partnerships: Strengthening Schools, Family and Community Connections*." The conference features sessions on the new Whole School, Whole Child, Whole Community model, evidence-based tobacco cessation for youth, the Healthy Weight Tool Kit for school nurses, emergency pediatric assessment for school nurses, positive youth development, asthma, incorporating movement into the classroom, and more. Registration for the pre-conference workshops (morning and afternoon sessions) on December 3 is **\$50.00 for 1 session (EITHER morning OR afternoon session) and \$75 for a morning AND an afternoon session**. Conference registration is \$125 if received before Saturday, November 21, and after November 21 registration is \$150. Registration for full-time students (enrolled in 12 hours and with proof of registration) is \$50. Registration fees include conference materials, continental breakfasts, and lunch on Friday. For more information, go to: [www.healthykids.org](http://www.healthykids.org) or [http://health.mo.gov/living/families/schoolhealth/pdf/CSHC\\_Conf\\_Flyer.pdf](http://health.mo.gov/living/families/schoolhealth/pdf/CSHC_Conf_Flyer.pdf).

## **SATELLITE BROADCASTS AND WEBCASTS**

### **UPCOMING SATELLITE BROADCASTS AND WEBCASTS**

Please see the [attached flier](#) listing upcoming satellite broadcasts. Contact Jackie McCoy at 573-751-6170 or Heather Rhodes at 573-751-6168 with questions or to report technical problems.

## **LPHA JOB OPPORTUNITIES**

### **ACCOUNTANT – Taney County Health Department**

The Taney County Health Department will be accepting resumes for the position of Accountant. This position will be for 32 hours/week. Minimum requirements for this position include an Associate Degree in Accounting, or a Bachelor's degree in Business with emphasis in Accounting, and a valid driver's license. A Bachelor's degree in Accounting/Finance and prior experience is a plus. Candidates must be proficient utilizing accounting software (i.e. MAS90, Quickbooks, and Microsoft Office products). Candidates must be detail oriented and have excellent customer service. Benefit package includes paid vacation, holidays, and sick time, LAGERS Retirement system, health, and dental insurance. Please send letter of interest indicating date of availability in addition to a resume to: Taney County Health Department, PO Box 369, Forsyth, MO 65653, Attn: HR Department or send by e-mail to [stevet@lpha.mopublic.org](mailto:stevet@lpha.mopublic.org) or [huacuh@lpha.mopublic.org](mailto:huacuh@lpha.mopublic.org). Position open until filled. The Taney County Health Department is an equal opportunity employer and will consider applicants without regard to age, sex, color, sex, religion, national origin, or disability as prescribed by federal and state law.

## OTHER JOB OPPORTUNITIES

### **FULL-TIME CASE MANAGER – Missouri Bootheel Regional Consortium**

This position will provide case management and service coordination for pregnant and interconception women, infants, and families who reside in Scott, Mississippi, Pemiscot, Dunklin, and New Madrid counties. Applicant must have the desire to work with people of diverse background and life experiences and function as a member of the Healthy Start Case Management Team; demonstrates community outreach experience and have knowledge of HIPAA compliance; good oral and written communication skills; Microsoft Office computer proficiency, data entry, counseling techniques and problem-solving skills are desired. Licensed Practical Nurse (LPN) with home visitation experience encouraged to apply. An associate degree or bachelor's degree in social work or related field required. Extensive work experience in related field may substitute for education; two-three year experience in case management in-home visitation, prenatal, infant health, Medicaid, and knowledge of the Bootheel region is preferred. There are no on-call nights or weekend work. This position is 40 hours per week with salary range low 30's depending upon experience. For more information, please see the attached document.

### **FULL-TIME PROJECT MANAGEMENT – Missouri Bootheel Regional Consortium**

This position will work with project directors to coordinate activities for a collaborative Infant Mortality Reduction Initiative in the six-county region of the Bootheel. The successful candidate will recruit volunteers, facilitate meetings, and provide presentations. Experience in community outreach, program coordination, marketing, volunteer management, and working in women's health with diverse backgrounds and high risk families preferred. This position will serve as a liaison with various programs to support recruitment of committee members and advocates. The applicant must have the ability to work as a team player and independently; advanced organizational and writing skills is preferred; advanced public speaking and meeting facilitation skills; proficiency with Microsoft Office: Word, Excel, PowerPoint; and computer proficiency is preferred. The applicant must have the ability to work flexible hours and knowledge of the Bootheel region is a plus; understand and accept diversity in attitudes toward health care relative to cultural, economic, language, or social differences and incorporate this attitude into developing community and health related programs/services. Salary is in the low 40's and is negotiable depending upon experience. For more information, please see the attached document.

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